



Job Service Employers' Council Minutes

August 28, 2013

ALCOM / River City Grill

Attendance

Members Present: John Mikkelson, Pam Schneiter, Debbie Mitchell, Kelly Warren, Jan Van Fossen, Glory Blood Artis, Linda Abreu, Kassie Garland, Shawna Smith, Wolf Ametsbichler, Lynn Stocking, Cindy Boies, Laura Marshall and Don Malerk

Members Absent: Adina Roe, Janet Van Dyke, Connie Kulbeck, Robert Farmer and Wendy Koster.

Guests: Cindy Smith, Holiday Inn Downtown Parkside

Job Service Representation: Deb Gass, George Palmer and Marcia Horton

Meeting

Minutes – reviewed and approved. The minutes and agenda are typically sent out with the meeting announcements. If you do not receive the minutes please contact Deb and let her know.

Member Updates –

Executive Board Updates – John discussed the projects that JSEC will work on during the upcoming year. We are still planning on doing the Employer of Choice Award, Career Fair, Scholarship and Seminars.

Employer of Choice – we will update the language on the application to indicate that we will accept applications from our service delivery area – Missoula, Mineral and Granite Counties. One of our recipients from last year Ecology Project International received a Statewide Employer of Choice Award at the May MSEC meeting.

Career Fair – the date will **be April 24, 2014**. Wolf would like to encourage all JSEC members to attend if possible. ESGR was one of the sponsors, and we will send them information about Veteran placements from the fair.

Scholarship – Wendy had several ideas for the scholarship and would like to set up a sub working group to do some research on whether the award amount is enough and Connie Kulbeck has volunteered to contact past award winners to see how the award impacted their success in pursuing education and training after completing high school. Deb will send out an email asking for volunteers when we know more about Wendy's availability to be involved in these projects.

School Involvement – JSEC will continue to encourage individual involvement in the MCPS system but will not pursue any specific projects at this time.

Seminars – Several good ideas were discussed for topics and speakers for our seminar series this year. Some ideas include Unemployment Insurance Fraud and How to prepare for a UI Hearing, a series of seminars with Karen McNenny on Drama in the Workplace, Leadership and more. She will present more information at our September meeting.

Budget – the committee discussed the budget and conducted a formal vote which passed to leave \$6000.00 dollars in the JSEC Career Fair Checking account and transfer the remainder to the JSEC General Account. We also discussed some advertising for the career fair.

Tour of ALCOM – Ashley Montminy gave a tour of the facility and answered questions about the company and their manufacturing assembly line. Members had an opportunity to look at the product and see the improvements being made at the site. ALCOM produces a high quality aluminum trailer line and customizes them in variety of ways. Their main facility is in Maine and their second location is in Bonner MT. For more information visit their website at www.alcomusa.com

Next Meeting – September 25, 2013 Missoula Job Service

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Deb Gass – Missoula Job Service

The Missoula Job Service Employers' Council (JSEC) works with and supports the services of our local Job Service and assists with our community's workforce development needs.